

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00754-ABJ**

DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION v. U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE et al
Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 04/03/2018
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
04/03/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5403067) filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Summons, # <u>6</u> Summons, # <u>7</u> Summons)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 04/03/2018)
04/03/2018	<u>2</u>	Corporate Disclosure Statement by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 04/03/2018)
04/03/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zsth) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/04/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsth) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/13/2018	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by John T. Lewis on behalf of DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Lewis, John) (Entered: 04/13/2018)
04/13/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 4/9/2018. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 5/9/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE served on 4/9/2018; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY served on 4/9/2018, RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 4/9/2018. (Lewis, John) (Entered: 04/13/2018)
04/26/2018	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Benton Gregory Peterson on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 04/26/2018)
05/08/2018	<u>7</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 05/08/2018)
05/09/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>7</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time. Defendants must file an answer to the complaint by June 11, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 05/09/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 05/09/2018)
06/11/2018	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 06/11/2018)
06/11/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendants shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of their production of documents to plaintiff, on or before July 9, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 06/11/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 06/11/2018)
07/09/2018	<u>9</u>	STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY. (Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 07/09/2018)
07/10/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit another joint status report by September 10, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 07/10/18. (lcabj3) (Entered: 07/10/2018)
09/10/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Lewis, John) (Entered: 09/10/2018)

09/13/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit an updated joint status report by October 10, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 09/13/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 09/13/2018)
10/10/2018	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Lewis, John) (Entered: 10/10/2018)
10/11/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the Joint Status Report <u>11</u> , it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report by November 12, 2018. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 10/11/18. (DMK) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: The parties shall submit another joint status report by 11/12/2018. (jth) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
11/12/2018	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Lewis, John) (Entered: 11/12/2018)
11/13/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit a joint status report by December 12, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/13/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 11/13/2018)
12/12/2018	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Lewis, John) (Entered: 12/12/2018)
12/13/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must submit an updated joint status report by January 18, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 12/13/2018. (lcabj3) (Entered: 12/13/2018)
01/18/2019	<u>14</u>	Consent MOTION to Stay , MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hudak, Brian) (Entered: 01/18/2019)
01/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>14</u> Consent Motion to Stay and granting <u>14</u> Motion for Extension of Time. The government must file a notice within two days of the resumption of operations and it should include a proposed revised schedule for a joint status report. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 01/22/2019. (lcabj3) (Entered: 01/22/2019)
01/28/2019	<u>15</u>	NOTICE by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY re Order on Motion to Stay,, Order on Motion for Extension of Time to, (Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 01/28/2019)